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SUBJECT: SOMALI AMBASSADOR PURSUES BERBERA ISSUE

REF: A) STATE 140315; B) MOGADISCIO 0840

1. SOMALI AMBASSADOR ADDOU CALLED ON ACTING ASSISTANT SECRETARY MULCAHY ON JUNE 16 TO FOLLOW UP HIS EARLIER CALL (REFTEL A).HE SAID HE HAS RECEIVED INSTRUCTIONS FROM MOGADISCIO TO EXTEND INVITATIONS TO THE CHAIRMEN OF THE HOUSE AND SENATE ARMED SERVICES COMMITTEES, SENATE FOREIGN RELATIONS COMMITTEE AND HOUSE INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS COMMITTEE
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COMMITTEE FOR MEMBERS OF RESPECTIVE COMMITTEES TO VISIT

BERBERA AND OBSERVE THAT THERE ARE NO SOVIET FACILITIES THERE. ADDOU SAID THAT HIS INSTRUCTIONS WERE WITHOUT RESTRICTIONS AND HE DISMISSED OMAR ARTEH'S TALK ABOUT EXCLUDING SUPPORTERS OF ZIONISM (PARA 1, REFTEL B) AS SO MUCH PROPAGANDA FOR "LOCAL AND REGIONAL CONSUMPTION." ADDOU SAID HE ASSUMED THE INVITATION APPLIED TO MEMBERS OF THE EXECUTIVE BRANCH AS WELL, BUT THIS WAS NOT PURSUED FURTHER.

2. ADDOU ASKED FOR DEPARTMENT'S HELP IN INFORMING HILL OF GSDR INVITATION, BUT IT WAS EVENTUALLY DECIDED THAT HE WOULD

EXTEND INVITATIONS DIRECTLY WITHOUT GOING THROUGH STATE. ADDOU HOPES TO GET WRITTEN INVITATIONS TODAY TO SEVERAL COMMITTEE CHAIRMEN. HILL SOURCES REPORT THAT ADDOU HAS ALREADY MADE TELEPHONE CONTACT WITH SEVERAL LEGISLATORS, INCLUDING SENATOR HUMPHREY. WE HAVE INDICATIONS THAT ARMED SERVICES COMMITTEE STAFFERS BELIEVE THAT SOME COMMITTEE MEMBERS SHOULD GO TO BERBERA, BUT TO OUR KNOWLEDGE NO SPECIFIC DECISIONS HAVE YET BEEN MADE.

3. ADDOU SAID HE ALSO HAD INSTRUCTIONS TO SEEK MEETINGS WITH PRESIDENT FORD AND SECRETARY KISSINGER. INTENDED MEETING WITH FORMER WOULD BE TO REITERATE STATEMENTS OF PRESIDENT SIAD DURING HIS OCTOBER 1974 VISIT TO WASHINGTON. PURPOSE OF MEETING WITH SECRETARY WOULD BE TO PROTEST ALLEGATIONS AGAINST SOMALIA BY DEFENSE SECRETARY. WE DO NOT INTEND TO PRESS FOR PRESIDENTIAL CALL BUT WILL INFORM ADDOU THAT DEPT. WILL CONVEY TO PRESIDENT WHATEVER WRITTEN OR ORAL MESSAGE GSDR DESIRES. LEVEL OF CALL IN DEPARTMENT STILL TO BE DECIDED. KISSINGER

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